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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF TRAINING

SUBJECT: Covert Psychological Warfare Course Participation
by Non-CIA Personnel

1. In response to your question concerning the security considerations which would be involved in non-CIA participation in covert psychological instruction as presently conducted by TRC, there is attached herewith a memorandum prepared at my request by the Chief of the Specialized Training Branch, TRC.

2. As will be noted, the CPW course differs somewhat in content and method of presentation from most other TRC instruction in that only partially sanitized and current operational material is covered in connection with participation by OPC division and staff personnel. This has been considered to be desirable in this specialized case in order to describe the exact nature of the program which OPC is developing in covert psychological warfare. It does, at the same time, however, considerably intensify the sensitivity of the course and the contributing OPC offices have repeatedly emphasized to TRC the need for rigid security restrictions.

3. TRC is not in a position to judge whether or not this special characteristic of the CPW course should rule out non-CIA participation but feels that it should be considered in arriving at a decision.



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